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My Native Isle of Sorrow.

All desolate is Erin,
By sore affliction tried,
For famine through her green isles
Stalks with gigantic stride;
And Fever, brooding in its wake,
Hangs heavy in the air
To smite to earth the few scant ears
That famine's hand may spare.

All stern of aspect as they move,
These sisters, hand in hand,
Are keeping watch upon the sea,
And watch upon the land,
'Till, from ten thousand suffering lips,
A shrill and bitter cry
Goes up to heaven in unison,
"Lord! help us, or we die."

The memories of forty-eight
Are in my mind once more;
The dread of seeing once again
The awful scenes of yore,
When crowded lanes, and city street,
And plain, and hillside lone,
I saw the dying peasant's face,
And heard his dying moan.

Old men who lived these horrors through
Will whisper in their talk,
That still the ghosts of those who died,
The Abbey church yard walk;
That from their graves, at dead of night,
They rise in silent bands
And whisper words of mystic sound,
And wave their famished hands.

O Lord, before thy mighty throne
We bow our feeble will;
Aught else, but from poor Erin's lips
Keep back this chalice still.
For the many sins upon our heads
Let thy judgment stand,
But from another famine year
God save my native land.

H. J. H.

FRANKFORT, KY., March 12th, 1880.

Messrs. Day & Hafl are selling an extra choice article of hemp seed. Farmers in need of seed will do well to call and examine it before purchasing.

Rev. Wm. L. Green, D. D., will preach in the Presbyterian Church to-morrow, Sunday, morning, at 11 o'clock. Dr. Green is a minister of considerable reputation, and all who go to hear him will be amply repaid. Seats free and all are invited.

The Sheriff will begin advertising property next week on which the taxes for 1879 have not been paid, and no favoritism will be shown to persons who are in arrears. If you don't want your name published as a delinquent tax-payer, pay your taxes at once.

At a meeting of Capital Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F., last Monday night, Messrs. E. Whitesides and W. S. Dehoney were each presented with a handsome gold-headed cane by the Lodge, for their long and faithful services and in token of the high esteem in which they are held by their brethren. The canes were exactly alike, and the inscription on each was the same except, of course, the names of the receivers, which was as follows: "Presented to E. Whitesides by Capital Lodge, No. 6, I. O. O. F., Frankfort, Ky." The presentation speeches were made by Hon. Thos. B. Ford in handsome style, and the recipients made such responses as they could under the circumstances. The gifts could not have fallen into worthier hands.

Mrs. H. Evans advertises a house for sale or rent in another column.

At about twelve o'clock last night Robert Mosby, white, George Hazelwood and Frank Sims, colored, three prisoners confined in the jail at this place, made their escape by prizing a stone of the ceiling of one of the cells out of position with a couple of sticks, and passing along between the ceiling and roof to the end of the jail next the alley, making an opening in the brick portion of the gable, and climbed down the wall on the outside, the jutting stones furnishing them a very good ladder.

Robert Brown, colored, who was placed in jail for fornication, and awaiting trial, was threatened with death by the others if he told on them. Waiting until they had gone, he went out the hole made by them and informed Mr. Lawler of their escape. The alarm was immediately given, and the police placed on the track of the fugitives, but as yet nothing has been heard of them.

Robt. Mosby is under the charge of murder in Anderson county, and had been brought here for safe-keeping, a mob having threatened to take him out of jail in Lawrenceburg and hang him. Geo. Hazelwood was under indictment for attempted poisoning, and Frank Sims was convicted at the late term of the Criminal Court for malicious cutting, and was retained in jail in hopes of getting a pardon.

The Masquerade Ball.

The mere mention of a hop under the auspices of the Assembly Ball Club is sufficient to bring out the beauty and gallantry of the Capital City and her neighboring sister cities; and it is also a guarantee that the entertainment will be strictly first-class in every particular.

It was announced in the papers a week ago that the closing hop of the season would take place last night at Capital Hotel, and that it would be a grand masquerade.

As might have been expected, this was the gayest and best and most enjoyable of all the entertainments given by the famous Assembly Ball Club—a club that stands at the head of all the clubs, of a like character, in the South.

South's orchestra, noted all over Kentucky for its good music, fairly surpassed itself last night. It, too, seemed to have saved its most ravishing strains of music for the last. To appreciate the sweet music and the gay scene it was necessary to be present and hear and see.

Below will be found a partial list of persons, costumes and characters represented—it being utterly impossible to get a complete list:

Will Sneed, Cal. Wagoner's ebony Buttercup. Will was a stunner.
Logan McKee, Little Buttercup in Pinatone. Logan had his hair split in the middle, and wore patent leather low-cut shoes, flesh colored tights and a short white muslin skirt. He looked just too sweet.

Harry Graham, City Swell.
Tom Macklin, a French Count.
Miss Pattie Roberts, Mexican Princess; red velvet and cream silk.

Miss Sallie Cannon, Spanish Lady; scarlet satin, black lace.

Miss Lullie Nuckols, Queen Elizabeth; black velvet robe trimmed with cream silk.

Miss May Washington, Covington, Persian Lady; scarlet and cream bunting with trimmings of gold.

Miss Dorsey Stanton, Katrina Van Tassel; blue silk over black velvet.

Miss Ettie Scott, Pocahontas; buckskin dress, beads, and fancy colored feathers.

Miss Daisy Fitzhugh, Zayda, a Moorish Lady; green and scarlet silk, black velvet and lace.

Miss Lou, Mitchell, Louisville, Topsy.

Miss Mamie Kremer, of Louisville, Hungarian Girl; red and cream bunting, gold trimmings.

Miss Kate Meriwether, Folly; silk in all the colors of the rainbow, pearls, diamonds, gold, and everything that Folly would be likely to put on.

Charlie Kincaid, correspondent of the Courier-Journal, looked just too cute in a blue cotton dress, red bandanna head handkerchief and heavy brogans.

Miss Carmell Huston, of Morganfield, Beatrice. This character was exceedingly well represented.

Miss Sallie Sneed, the Pirate's Bride; blue silk over cardinal and cream silk, silver and pearl ornaments.

George L. Payne, Army Officer.

Dr. T. L. Taylor and Jake Evans, Siamese twins, looked sweet in white blouses, black pants, and buckskin leggings.

Mrs. Dr. Miller, Clark county, Comet; black velvet, gold fringe.

Miss Lollie Starling, Nun.

Miss Jennie Julian, Novice.

Miss Lucy Julian, Daughter of the Regiment; blue and pink satin, point lace.

Mrs. Jas. C. Hopple, of Cincinnati, Maid of the Mist; blue tarlatan dress covered with white illusion veil, flowing hair.

Miss Nannie Laughlin, Lexington, Spanish Lady; black velvet richly embroidered silk, black lace.

Miss Eleanor Holmes, "Pelina Sykes," faded black calico, white muslin neck handkerchief and white ruffled cap.

Miss Phillips, of Louisville, "Miss Betsy Tickler;" faded black calico, white muslin neck handkerchief, white ruffled cap. She carried a calico patchwork reticule and a turkey wing for a fan.

Miss Bettie Stewart, Hygeia, daughter of Esculapius.

Miss Eliza Green, Buttercup in Pinatone. John Milam attracted much attention as a quadruped known to most people as a jackass.

Will Snelton, Dandy in checked calico pants.

Sam, Gaines, of the Hopkinsville New Era, was fascinating in a white neck-tie and button-hole boquet. His hair was nicely split in the middle, which added much to the set smile he wore.

Col. Alex. Julian was decidedly the beau of the evening. He represented a Gentleman of the Period, and appeared in full party dress.

Misses Cecil Vaughn and Lullie Stanton, Children dedicated to the Blessed Virgin; short white dresses, white aprons, white sun-bonnets, blue trimmings.

Miss Josie Murphy, Gerolde Girofla; blue and pink silk and pink satin.

Miss Jennie Keenon of Covington, represented the Press of Kentucky. Her dress was made of newspapers in the most artistic style, trimmed with various newspaper heads. Hanging down her back was a good sized hand-bill containing this: "The charming Craddock is to be married." "Look for John D. White nex Monday. Hurrah! Hurrah!" "Dam the Kentucky river." "Allen leads." "Bigger and Berry want to

be Governor. The Bigger the Berry the better the chance." "J. Speed Smith is the handsomest man in the House." "Unless Senator Blackburn's forefinger explodes he will be President yet." The costume was both novel and pretty and attracted general attention.

Frankfort Retail Markets.

Carefully corrected every week by F. V. Gray & Co., Grocers, St. Clair street.

COFFEE.

Rio, good.....	\$	20
Rio, choice.....	22 1/2	25
Laguayra.....	25	
Choice roasted Rio.....	25	

SUNDRIES.

Sugar, per lb.....	\$	10 1/2
Molasses, per gal.....	50	50
Coal oil, per gal.....	25	
Rice.....	10	
Candles.....	20	
Cheese.....	20	
Starch.....	7 1/2	8
Mackerel, in kits of 15 lbs.....	1	35
Beans, choice white, per lb.....	4	
Hominy, per lb.....	4	
Grits, per lb.....	5	
Dried apples, per lb.....	10	
Dried peaches, per lb.....	15	
Salt, 7 bus. bbl.....	2	40

PROVISIONS.

Shoulders.....	\$	8
Sides.....	8	10
Hams.....	12 1/2	
Lard.....	10	
Eggs.....	10	
Butter.....	30	

FLOUR.

City Mills, per cwt.....	\$4	00 1/4
Elkhorn Water Mills, per cwt.....	2	50 1/4
Valley Mills, per cwt.....	3	75 1/4

GRAIN, &c.

Wheat, per bus.....	\$1	00 1/4
Rye, per bus.....	75	
Corn, per bus.....	45	50
Feathers, old, per lb.....	20	
Feathers, new, per lb.....	35	37 1/2
Ginseng.....	1	15
Tallow, per lb.....	5 1/2	
Timothy, per bus.....	3	75
Potatoes, Irish, per bus.....	8	
Potatoes, sweet, per bus.....	1	25

HIDES, FURS, &c.

Dry flint hides, per lb.....	\$	14 1/2
Dry salt hides, per lb.....	50	7
Sheep skins.....	50	1 50
Skunk skins, black.....	40	80
Skunk skins, spotted.....	10	
Mink skins.....	50	
Red fox skins.....	75	
Gray fox skins.....	50	
Raccoon skins.....	10	40

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